

Social and Personal

Mrs. William Hodges Mann spent yesterday with relatives in Petersburg. Mrs. Mann will give the last of her at home for the month of February this afternoon from 4 to 7 o'clock. She will wear a black velvet gown trimmed with duchess lace, and will be assisted in receiving her guests by Miss Mary Osborne Templeton, of Waynesboro, who is spending the winter here. The mansion will be decorated in silver shades of hyacinths and carnations.

In North Carolina.
Miss Elizabeth M. Taylor, one of the debutantes of the past season, has gone to Raleigh, N. C., where she will be the guest of friends for the next ten days. Miss Taylor has recently returned from Lexington, where she was among those dancing at the mid-winter hops given at the Virginia Military Institute and the fancy ball at Washington and Lee University.

Victims in Catastrophe.
Miss Jane Nelson Marr, daughter of Colonel R. A. Marr, dean of the engineering department at V. P. I., and Miss Cora Davidson, granddaughter of Dr. McPherson, are spending the latter part of the winter in Columbia, S. C., where they are being much entertained. Miss Marr and Miss Davidson attended the mid-winter costume ball at the University of South Carolina, and a great many affairs have been given in their honor recently.

Miss Marr is a granddaughter of James Barron Hope, and both Miss Marr and Miss Davidson have a number of relatives and friends in this city.

At the Women's Club.
Miss Florence Peple, under the title of "Fair Lullaby," took the members of the Women's Club straying through all the quaint and delightful streets of

Chiffon Waists, \$3.98

The sort that usually bears \$5.00 tags, of striped muslin, also chiffon, with shadow lace yoke, in all colors and black. This is an unusual opportunity of securing a dainty, stylish blouse for afternoon or evening wear.

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Interest in the great city of Paris yesterday afternoon. Miss Peple read from an unpublished manuscript some perfect little vignettes of thoughts concerning the interesting ways and crossroads, weaving streets of the beautiful city, and told many legends and quaint stories concerning the origin of the names of them all.

Strangely familiar figures came at her bidding from the narrow doorways and walked for a time across the canvas of graphic pictures. The stories Miss Peple read all had to do with the history of Paris; paths made by the monks' ways about their prayers, and the great growing metropolis. There were memories of many days and many makers of many things, and histories of names, and here and there the touch of a vivid scarlet geranium growing in a window under a sky of blue and gold, and again the murky shadows and haunting, uncouth figures to change the scene.

It was a charming afternoon. Miss Peple converses in a very few words such a world of meaning, and one climbed stairs with her into small, narrow rooms in the Latin Quarter and read at her bidding the great secret of wonderful achievement, and beheld through her eyes the birth of a masterpiece. The wonderful city was viewed in its making, and the part that mere groups of persons played, or did not play, passed in the picture, leaving a newer vision.

Miss Guilmaing was chairman of the afternoon and Mrs. James D. Grump and Mrs. Kelle Glover were at the coffee table. Mrs. Mary Howell Smith and Miss Rena Glazebrook poured tea. The club parlors were decorated in slender vases of yellow jonquils and pink and white flowers.

On Wednesday afternoon at half-past 4 o'clock Mrs. Archer Jones will lead the discussion of "Clay-hanger," and "Hilda Lessways," by Arnold Bennett, at the meeting of the Literary Round Table.

No Meeting To-Day.
The Council of Social Workers will not meet this afternoon, but the regular meeting of the organization will be held on Tuesday afternoon, March 5, at 5 o'clock. This meeting will be held at the Fern Leaf, corner of Fifth and Grace Streets, and a full attendance is desired.

Tea Thursday.
The second of a series of very interesting teas to be given during the Lenten season at the Rosemary Library will take place on Thursday afternoon. Tea will be served from half-past 4 until half-past 6 o'clock in the evening, and a number of young girls will assist in serving the guests. Some of the most prominent society women in Richmond have these teas in charge, and they are among the most pleasing affairs of the week of little entertaining. The tables will be decorated with bowls of jonquils.

Tea Room Hostesses.
Hostesses at the Girls' Club tea room in the palm garden of the Jefferson Hotel for the afternoon are Mrs. E. C. Mayo, Mrs. B. Stuart Itum, and Miss Mabel Walker. Tea will be served from 4 to 7 o'clock.

In Alexandria.
Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Lawson, of Fauquier county, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Phineas Danney, at their home in Alexandria this week. Mr. and Mrs. Lawson have been visiting relatives in Richmond for several weeks past, and have also spent some time in the city of the Palmyra. Frederickburg before going to Alexandria. They will return to their home in Fauquier county in a few days.

Invitations Issued.
Miss Frances Fitzgerald, of Danville, has issued invitations to the marriage of her niece, Miss Bethel Nell Bowne, to Julius L. Joyner, of Richmond. The wedding will take place on the afternoon of Thursday, February 29, at Mr. Fitzgerald's home in Danville.

Story-Tellers' League.
The Story-Tellers' League of Richmond will hold its first regular meeting in the auditorium of the Virginia Mechanics' Institute Wednesday, February 28, at 8:30 P. M. Membership tickets will be issued at 4:15. The story-book library at the institute is open from 5:30 to 6 P. M.

In and Out of Town.
Miss Mary Huff, of Alexandria, is the guest of Miss Ida Mason.

Mrs. Carrie Pace Hite, of Louisville, Ky., arrived in Richmond yesterday to be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Pace, on Grove Avenue.

Miss Henrietta Goldborough, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Llewellyn McVeigh, in this city, has returned to Leesburg.

Mrs. Robert Blankenship, who has been at the Memorial Hospital for treatment for the past month, has returned to her home on East Franklin Street.

Mrs. Thomas W. Robinson and Mrs. William J. Boothe, of Alexandria, have been recent guests of friends in Richmond.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fairfax are guests of Senator Don Cameron, in Florida, for several weeks.

Mrs. Owen Sharp, of Newport News, is visiting in this city for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardiner Plumley left last night for Charleston, W. Va., after spending a few days with relatives here.

Miss Lucile Ayler, of Newport News, is spending some time here as the guest of friends.

Miss Margaret Dalton, of Winston-Salem, N. C., who has been visiting in Lexington, is now the guest of Miss Maude Caskie in Lynchburg.

Miss Margaret Latimer, of Portsmouth, is spending some time in this city as the guest of friends.

Miss Emma Gray White has gone to Baltimore, where she is the guest of Miss Credilla Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Guest, of "Snowden," Fredericksburg, will arrive to-day to be the guests of Mr. and

Mrs. Beverly Randolph Wellford, at 1632 Monument Avenue.

Miss Anne Darlington, of Washington, is visiting the Misses Willingham, on West Grace Street.

VERDICT COMES TO-DAY.

Possible That Coroner's Jury May Hold Young Man for Murder.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Raleigh, N. C., February 26.—Will Fate W. Goss, of Durham, held by the coroner's jury as implicated in the death of the three young men, John, Jordan and Porter, of Benson, last week ago, is a question of vital interest here just now. The jury completed hearing testimony to-night and held 19 o'clock Wednesday morning for its verdict. Evidence that raises a question as to whether Goss is an assassin is that witnesses from Benson identified a watch and a gun and a purse and three pictures of girls it contained as being from the girls that Alton Johnson and young Porter carried.

Goss contends that he bought the watch and the gun in a pawnshop, and that the pictures he had from the girls themselves, one his sister and another a cousin.

There was testimony by Bud Davis that Fate Goss spent the night with him and was out of the room about 11 o'clock, and the prosecution is setting up the contention of the girls that he having gone to the Wilson Apartments during that time and taken a hand in a murder and robbery.

Killed by Electric Wire.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Goldstone, N. C., February 26.—Captain Matt R. Denmark, son of Chief of Police Denmark, of this city, was instantly killed this afternoon while attending to his duties as yardmaster of the Atlantic Coast Line at this point. He was twenty-three years old and was to have been married at an early date.

Denmark was gagging the shifting of a boxcar and was standing on top of the car when it passed under an electric wire and he was caught him on the back of the neck and death was instantaneous.

CHURCH CONGREGATION HEARS "CANNED" SERMON

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Winchester, Va., February 26.—Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church, of Martinsburg, which has been without a rector since Rev. John S. Douglas was killed in the battle of Gettysburg, heard a phonographic sermon Sunday. The former rector made a record last week and sent it to Martinsburg. A large congregation enjoyed the "canned" discourse.

Kicked by Family Horse.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
R. J. Mason, a Confederate veteran, of Bridgewater, was kicked by his old family horse yesterday. Both bones in his leg broken on the knee and ankle being broken.

Has Narrow Escape.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Harrisonburg, Va., February 26.—Mrs. McKinney, of Quickburg, Shenandoan county, according to messages received here, had a narrow escape from death on the Southern Railway when she was caught in a narrow cut and knocked down by a freight train. Both bones of her wrist were broken and she was otherwise bruised. She was taken to the home of her son, George McKinney, near Quickburg.

Death of Colored Woman.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Annie Walker, wife of C. H. Walker, died at her home at Gloucester Courthouse of heart disease. She was a respected colored woman, a member of the Protestant Episcopal Church. Her quiet and well-spent life has told well to the benefit of her people and community. She was married by her husband and three daughters. Her husband is one of the leading colored men of Virginia, as is evidenced by the fact that he was a member of the Republican committee to notify McKinley of his election. The funeral will be tomorrow at 10 o'clock at the Episcopal Church, which will take part in the services.

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Very Small Salary Attached to Appointment of Great Honor.

BY LA MARQUE DE FOSTENOV.
TREASURER to the King's household, the office to which Henry Phipps's son-in-law, Captain the Hon. Frederick Ward Guest, late of the First Life Guards, has just been gazetted in a ministerial appointment. In this sense, that although made by the Premier, the honor is not a political party in power, and for the honor is not a political party in power, and for the honor is not a political party in power.

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The Cabinet offered him a baronetcy, but he would not hear of it; and when, on the occasion of King Edward's birthday in 1904, he again found that his name was not on the list of new peers, he declined any further subscription to the funds of the Liberal party, and declared that he was so much disgusted that he had given up all further idea of ever being raised to a seat in the House of Lords, and all the 20,000 acres of landed property in Wiltshire, purchased from Lord Ashburton, and which were to have formed the entailed estates of the peerage which he counted upon receiving. Before, however, the property came under the hammer Sir Christopher Furness, as he was then, was approached by the Liberal party, and although he declined to stand for the House of Commons at the subsequent general election, he was persuaded to resume his subscription to the Liberal party funds, and his landed estates in Wiltshire. In June, 1910, he received his reward in the shape of the long delayed peerage. (Copyright, 1912, by the Brentwood Company.)

AMELIA REPUBLICANS INSTRUCT FOR TAFT

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Amelia, Va., February 26.—The Republicans of Amelia county met Saturday at Chula. V. V. Vaughan, county chairman, called the meeting to order. W. L. Ennos was elected chairman pro tem, and A. R. Morris, secretary. Delegates as follows were elected to the district convention at Farmville, on March 11, and to the State convention at Roanoke, Va., on March 12: A. R. Morris, delegates; John Archer, alternate; V. V. Vaughan, delegate; John T. Childress, alternate; V. V. Vaughan was re-elected county chairman.

The following precinct committees were elected: Chula, J. E. Merritt, John Archer; Amelia C. H. Prendner, J. E. Merritt; Beaver Pond Precinct, W. L. Ennos; Hancock Precinct, none; Shop Precinct, J. E. Merritt; Jetersville Precinct, J. E. Merritt; Deatonville Precinct, N. S. Barden; Palmyra Precinct, none.

The instructions for the delegates were framed by a committee of four, and were as follows: "The Republicans of Amelia county assembled in a mass-meeting at Chula, Va., February 26, 1912, and hereby endorse the platform of the National Republican Convention, and instruct our delegates to vote for Mr. Cabell first, last and always."

"For the position of delegate to the National Convention we instruct for H. C. Willson."

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BOATS RUNNING ON RAPPAHANNOCK

First Time River Has Been Clear of Ice Since January 4.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Fredericksburg, Va., February 26.—The steamer Middlesex arrived here last night at 11 o'clock, the Rappahannock River now being clear of ice. This is the first steamer to reach this port since January 4. The steamer was expected Saturday morning, but went aground near Mill Creek Wharf, in the lower part of the Rappahannock River, which caused the delay.

The steamer left as soon as it could unload its freight and reload the accumulated freight for shipping. It is expected that the steamer will carry large amounts of cargo to Baltimore, as there has been an accumulation of shipments at all of the wharves along the Rappahannock between this point and Tappahannock. The steamer will resume its regular schedules. George W. Hedin, of this city, while having the cellar at his place of business cleaned out, discovered an old tin sign 3x30 inches, which is a relic of the days of stage coaches before the war. The sign reads, "Notice, will carry passengers to Horner's. Call at the House." No one now living here can remember back to the time when this sign was in use.

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